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- 1. The Security Troop Command Staff is organized as follows:
 - a. Headquarters: In Bucharest, in the building of the former General Inspector of Constabulary, on the Stefan cel Mare Road.
 - b. Commander: Major-General E Popescu.
 - c. Political Assistant: Lieutenent Colonel Olteanu (fnu).
 - d. Political Staff.
 - e. Commander of the Rear.
 - f. Rear Echelon: administrative service, armament and ammunitions service, engineers and material service, quarters service, automobile service, sanitary service, pharmaceutical service, veterinary service.
 - g. Chief of General Staff: Lieutenant Colonel Tanasescu (fnu).
 - h. General Staff: Bureau 1 organization; Bureau 2 intelligence and counter-intelligence; Bureau 3 operations and training; Bureau 4 cadre, Judiciary Bureau, secretariat service, company in charge of housekeeping and care of premises.
- The complement of the Command Staff was, in autumn 1951, approximately 100 officers and 150 non-commissioned officers. The command has under its orders the following:
 - a. Four Security Brigades.
 - The 1 Security Regiment of Bucharest.

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- Training centers
- d. The Brigade for Security of Communications
- e. The Brigade for Security Installations
- f. Schools.
- 3. The territory of the country is divided into four zones, each one corresponding to one of the four brigades:
 - a. One zone covering Bucharest, Wallachia (Muntenia), Oltenia, and Dobrogea.
 - b. One zone covering Moldova and south Bucovina.
 - c. One zone covering Transylvania (Ardeal).
 - d. One zone covering Timisoara and the Banat.
- 4. 1 Security Regiment of Bucharest:
 - a. Headquarters: Bucharest, on Domnita Anastasia Street, in the barracks of the former foot constabulary regiment.
 - b. Commander: Colonel Diaconescu (fnu).
 - c. Chief of the General Staff: Lieutenant Colonel Ionescu (fnu).
 - d. This regiment has the mission of repressing any action of resistance in the capital or environs. The complement is 2,500 men at a minimum. It is composed of three battalions. The battalions of the regiment are motorized. There are 30 to 40 Praga type trucks ready to move into action at any time.
- 5. The organization of the battalion is as follows:
 - a. Command Staff: Commander, Political Assistant, Chief of General Staff.
 - (1) General Staff: Bureau handling battalion complement and organization, Intelligence Bureau, Training and Operations, Cadre.
 - (2) Commander of the Rear has under his orders, various administrative services similar to those of a regular military unit.
 - (3) Units: Two companies of riflemen, one company of heavy arms, one pistol company, one section of antiaircraft guns, one section of AC guns, one specialized unit (pioneers, cable transmissions, radio, mines, etc.), one section of automobiles, one platoon of housekeeping and care of premises, one platoon of specially trained scouts.
 - (4) Armament:

Rifles, ZB automatic rifles and ZB machine guns of 7.92 mm caliber. Automatic pistols of Oritza and PPS make. Hand grenades for offense and defense. Mortars of Rumanian make, 81.4 mm. AA Hotchkiss guns of 25 mm or Oerlikon guns of 20 mm. AC Bofers and Schneider guns of 46 mm.

6. Organization and Dispersement of the Security Battalions: In 1951 there were eleven Security Battalions. They were located as follows: Baneasa, Bucharest, Timisoara, Ploesti, Abrud, Oradea, Orastie, Floresti-Cluj, Stalin (Brasov), Iasi, Constanta, Craiova.

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- 7. The organization of the Command Staff of these eleven battalions is identical to that of a battalion of the 1 Security Regiment (paragraph 5). The units are also identical. The armaments are identical but in addition the above eleven battalions have AC guns of 75 mm.
 - a. Equipment is of the best quality. Soldiers have both summer and winter uniforms. In general, one never sees a soldier of the security troops with a torn or patched coat.
 - b. Food: those battalions which are in action receive 4,000 calories a day per man; the others receive 3,200 per man.
 - c. Training: while the unit is in action it carries on a training program which includes continuation and perfection of the training received at the training centers, specialized training, training corresponding to that received in the platoon and the company.
 - d. Security Battalions are mobilization units. Each of them is able to mobilize a second battalion, composed of active and reserve soldiers. For this purpose, each Security Battalion has prepared mobilization plans.

Comment. AC could be the abbreviation for "Anti char" or armored car. It is believed that this is an antitank gun.

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